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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN END-USE CHECK ON LICENSE 05-967792

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11. (U) Econoff visited Bolivian National Police headquarters and a La Paz storage site September 19 to confirm continued possession of hand grenades exported September 2, 2005 to the Bolivian Ministry of Government. Econoff and NAS staff verified continued possession by the National Police of approximately 80 percent of the equipment listed in reftel; the remaining 20 percent has reportedly been distributed to police units in Cochabamba and Santa Cruz, where it remains in storage. The National Police maintain equipment distribution records and have specified that the gear be used only for crowd control and riot termination.

12. (SBU) Post has no additional information on foreign intermediate consignee Westrade S.A. URS